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OETZMANN CASE—THE MISSES JEWELL LEAVING THE LAW COURTS.



Miss Annie Jewell (on the left), Miss Jenifore Jewell (centre), and Miss Ellen Jewell (on the right) were in high spirits as they left the Law Courts yesterday,

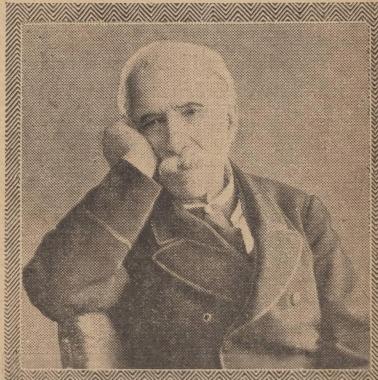
the tenth day of the trial of the action two of them are bringing against Messrs. Oetzmann with reference to the seizure of their furniture at Eastbourne.

PRINCESS ENA GOES TO THE ISLE OF WIGHT.



Yesterday Princess Ena (marked with a cross) left Victoria Station for the Isle of Wight, where it is expected the King of Spain may pay a flying visit during her stay.

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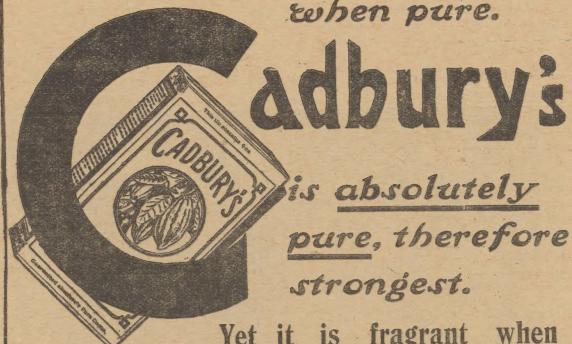
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## IN PRAISE OF PURE BEER.

Amusing Debate in the House of Commons.

### MEMBERS' CONFESSIONS.

The "Working Man's Food" and "Heaven's Best Gift."

As might have been expected, there was more than an average play of wit and humour in yesterday's Pure Beer debate in the House of Commons. Members seemed to think it the correct thing to treat the subject in a convivial sort of way, telling stories and rehearsing their personal experience.

Mr. Bellot even confessed to drinking never less than two pints of beer nightly, and others pronounced glowing encomiums on the beverage, coming perilously near using the phrase "glorious beer." One member got as far as calling pure beer "Heaven's best gift."

A dashing young Volunteer still in the twenties, Mr. Courthope, who appropriately sits for Rye, moved the second reading of the measure, which provides that barley beer shall contain not less than 85 per cent. of barley malt, the remaining 15 per cent. to be of sugar. Penalties varying from £250 to £2500 are proposed.

Mr. Courthope told a story. A French king once confessed that it was impossible to invade England because the English were nourished on good beef and beer!

"That," said the member, "was in the days when the purity of beer was maintained by statute."

#### BLUE WATER THEORY.

We heard much of the Blue Water theory. Well, let the Blue Water school have a record line of defence in pure beer, which will produce fine men in England. ("Oh!" from the teetotalers and general laugher.)

The Bill is a protective measure? "Pure beer is the working man's food," added the orator, "and it is only protective in the sense that it protects his interior economy."

"Crude, fantastic, and unworkable!" said Sir Edward Sassoon, in criticising the Bill and moving its rejection. "It reminds me of the sumptuary laws of a by-gone age. The Bill would sound the death-knell of British barley, and do no good to the consumer."

A sparkling speech from Mr. Herbert Paul delighted the House. "I should very much like to know where my brewery is!"

A Pure Beer Bill, indeed! said Mr. Paul, seconding the rejection. A Pure Protection Bill. A great French economist (Bastiat) had summed up the whole question—the umbrella-maker, he said, was in favour of protection for umbrellas, and free trade in wood, silk, and whalebone.

"I have no doubt Mr. Courthope is in favour of protection for hops (Rye is a hop district) and free trade for hop-poles." (The teetotalers chuckled.)

"Sir Wilfrid Lawson, who is more familiar with alcohol and its effects than any other member of this House—(roars of laughter at this two-edged reference, in which Sir Wilfrid joined)—will recollect the case of the farmer, who rode up to the door of a public-house and said: 'I want to try your beer; bring me a quart.'

#### PERSONAL TESTIMONY.

"After drinking a second quart he said: 'Your beer's good; I'll get down and have some.'" "Barley beer!" (contemptuously). "I have heard of invalids wanting barley water and barley broth—(roars of laughter)—but barley beer, never!" The Bill was the last flicker of the great flame of protection. In three years ago at Birmingham.

Among the interesting personal testimonies were the following:

"I have had barley beer brewed," said Colonel Kennedy-Shane, one of the backers of the Bill, "and found it extremely popular with my friends, being light, clear, and palatable. Such brews assuage and check excessive drinking."

"Heaven's best gift!" fervently declared Mr. R. L. Everett, speaking of good-brewed beer. The Bill was rejected by 164 to 109.

#### SIR E. CLARKE'S DILEMMA.

For speaking his mind on the fiscal question, Sir Edward Clarke has come into serious conflict with the City Conservatives. A public meeting is being arranged, at which Sir Edward is expected to face the music.

#### COMING BY-ELECTION.

Mr. F. S. Stevenson, Liberal member for the Eye Division of Suffolk, has announced his intention of retiring almost immediately from parliamentary life.

Mr. Harold Pearson, son of Sir Weetman Pearson, has been invited to stand in the Liberal interest.

Mr. Frank Garrett, of Leiston, is likely to be the Conservative candidate.

## SOKOTO REBELS CRUSHED.

Sir F. Lugard Reports Their Complete Defeat to Colonial Office.

### OFFICER WOUNDED.

Sir Frederick Lugard, the High Commissioner of Northern Nigeria, has sent a telegram to the Colonial Office, received yesterday, describing the rout of the Sokoto Mahdi.

The troops of the West African Frontier Force, under the command of Major R. H. Goodwin, he says, engaged the rebels near Sokoto on March 10, and completely defeated them.

Captain A. E. Gallagher, 9th Battalion, King's Royal Rifle Corps, was severely wounded in the arm. Other casualties are not yet reported; but no British officer was killed.

Reuter says it is reported that the Mahdi was killed.

With regard to the recent operations in the Munshi country, Sir F. Lugard reports that they have been carried out successfully, and the troops have returned to Zungeru.

There was little fighting, as the tribes implicated in the attack on Abins, which called for the expedition, submitted. Lieutenant C. F. Thornton, Wiltshire Regiment, was slightly wounded.

The detachment of the Lagos battalion of the West African Frontier Force, which was sent as a precaution to Northern Nigeria, is returning to Lagos, as no further need for their services is anticipated.

### WAR INSURANCE SCHEME.

National Proposal To Protect Our Food Supply in Time of Hostilities.

The London Chamber of Commerce, on the recommendation of its Defence Committee, has decided to place before the Government a scheme to prevent food prices rising to famine point in time of war.

The main idea is that the Government should in time of war make itself responsible for losses which the national mercantile marine may sustain in any part of the world at the hands of an enemy.

Ships and cargoes alike are to be included in the scheme, but the chief concern is for the cargoes and for the nation's food supplies in particular.

The Government, it is urged, would be able to regulate very considerably the prices of food without throwing any hardship upon the commercial community.

Shipowners and shippers would, as now, have to maintain the policies. On the outbreak of war, however, those policies would be handed over to the Government, which in the case of ships captured would guarantee the difference between the amount received from the underwriters and the actual loss. Safeguards would have to be provided on both sides, but those, it is contended, could be settled by arrangement.

### "CITY FATHERS" TO VISIT MILAN.

Arrangement for a Whitsuntide Trip for the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs.

The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs of the City of London will pay a visit to Milan at Whitsuntide. On Whit-Monday they will pay an official visit to the municipality, and then to the Exhibition.

In the evening the municipality will entertain them to dinner, and next day a luncheon will be given to them by the Exhibition Committee.

The afternoon will be spent in visiting the Carrello Strozzi Museum and Galleries. In the evening the Syndic will give a private dinner-party to the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs, followed by a concert at La Scala. The visitors will leave Milan on the following day.

### THREE NEGROES BESIEGED BY A MOB.

OMAHA, Friday.—At midnight a mob of 500 attacked the gaol in which eight murderers are imprisoned, seeking particularly to lynch three negroes.

The sheriff's men, aided by the police, repulsed the first attack, and the mob are now in search of dynamite wherewith to blow up the building.—Laffan.

### PEERAGE DECLINED BY SIR W. LAURIER.

MONTREAL, Friday.—"La Presse," a local newspaper, states that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Dominion Premier, was offered a peerage some time ago, but declined the honour.—Reuter.

It is reported from Hong Kong that Tai-Pa, situated opposite Macao, has been attacked by a Chinese pirate junk. Two of the pirates have been captured.

## FRANCE RESOLUTE.

She Will Concede No More to Germany at the Algeciras Conference.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Friday.—Despite many rumours current here, the best-informed politicians are confident that Great Britain will support France to the bitter end of the Algeciras Conference.

The feeling is that France—and in this matter the new Cabinet supports the old—has advanced on the Franco-Spanish police control question as far as she can, consistently with her dignity.

M. Bourgeois had an interview with M. Radouan last night at a dinner given at the Elysée, and he again met the German Ambassador at a diplomatic reception which took place to-day.

It is certain that France will not give way on the Casa Blanca scheme. The Germans are assiduously spreading the report that England will not support France in this matter, but the rumour is discredited here, as is also the suggestion that England is encouraging in the French people a belligerent attitude towards Germany.

### KAISER'S TWO NEW PICTURES.

Royal Wedding Celebrations Stir His Majesty to Work with Pencil and Brush.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BERLIN, Friday.—According to the "Berliner Tageblatt," the Kaiser has been busy with his pencil and brush on two pictures, which express his feelings in regard to his recent silver wedding celebrations and the marriage of Prince Eitel Friedrich.

One, showing his Majesty's idea of a happy union, as typified by his own marriage, is a wedded gift to Prince Eitel Friedrich; the other, a gift to the Emperor, is symbolic of his joy at the commemoration of his silver wedding.

M. Herreshoff says: "Laffan New message, is working on the designs for Meteor III, which will be submitted to the Kaiser. The new yacht will be larger than Meteor II, and entirely a racing boat, built of bronze, and probably fitted with a centre-board."

### SHOWERBATH OF INK FOR A THIEF.

Successful Trap for a Woman Who Filched in a Neighbour's Wine-Cellar.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Friday.—Mme. Casse, milliner, who has in the cellars of her house in the Rue de la Roquette a small stock of choice wine, which she values highly, has recently found her wine disappearing at an unaccountably fast rate.

Setting a trap for the thief the other day, she fastened a bottle of black ink in such a position that any unwary visitor to the cellar would receive a black showerbath.

Three days later she encountered a neighbour wearing round her head a bandage, which was not large enough to hide all the curious dark stains on her face. She has denounced her neighbour to the police, who are investigating the case.

### MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

Prince Arthur of Connaught left Tokio yesterday on his homeward journey.

The marriage of Mrs. Nannie Langhorne Shaw and Mr. Waldorf Astor will take place in London early in April.

Whilst out shooting yesterday, Mr. Edward Alexander Young, a Norfolk farmer living at Moulton, was killed, the trigger of his gun catching in a bramble bush.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that a serious mutiny has occurred at the Warsaw Prison. The troops were called in, and numerous prisoners were killed and wounded.

Lord Chelmsford, the Queensland Governor, has been ordered to take a rest of three weeks in the United States. The Chief Justice of the State will act as Governor meanwhile.—Reuter.

Midshipmen in the Naval Academy at Annapolis, U.S.A., have conspired to keep down the standard of scholarship, and an agreement exists to maintain an equal footing in all classes.

The Council of Ministers, according to a Buda Pesth message, has dissolved the executive committee of the Coalition Parties formed from the dissolved Diet, and has prohibited it from continuing its operations.

### TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is: Strong and squally south-westerly and west-westerly winds; occasional rain, fair intervals; rather mild.

Lighting-up time, 7.6 p.m.

Sea passages will be very rough generally.

## RAILWAY WRECK IN A SNOWSTORM.

Forty Lives Lost in Accident to an American Express.

### TERRIBLE SCENES.

NEW YORK, Friday.—A message from Pueblo, Colorado, states that two passenger trains on the Denver and Rio Grande Railway, one going east and the other south, collided near Portland in the early hours of this morning.

First reports said that 150 were killed, but a later message places the number of killed at between forty and fifty. Many people were burned in the fire following the smash, and there is a long roll of injured.

The trains—one of which had two engines—met on a curve. The terrible impact caused both locomotives, the smoking carriage, and the day car of one train to overturn.

The cars were crowded at the time. The weather is bitterly cold, and a heavy snowfall is interfering with the work of rescue.

The disaster happened during a blinding snow-storm. Both expresses were long overdue.

#### WRECKAGE TAKES FIRE.

The scene was appalling. The wreckage took fire almost immediately. Many of the victims, pinned down by the wreckage, were burnt to death before they could be rescued.

According to later reports from Pueblo, Colorado, the number of killed is estimated at forty, fifteen persons being burned in the fire following the smash. Many were injured, and a relief train has brought in seventeen of the sufferers, who are being placed in hospital at Pueblo.

The day-coaches and the luggage-cars were broken; the sleeping-cars alone were not consumed. The scene of the accident was thirty miles to the westward of Pueblo, along the Arkansas River, where the line runs through comparatively level country.

The general superintendent of the Denver and Rio Grande line says that the accident was due to the officials of both trains overlooking their orders. Most of the killed were passengers in the smoking-car.

The guards and other officials of both trains are missing.—Reuter.

#### AMERICA'S TERRIBLE RECORD.

America holds an unenviable record for loss of life in railway disasters. Over 3,000 persons are killed annually.

During 1903, 3,233 persons lost their lives on railways in the United States, and 39,000 were injured. During the same period only 455 persons were killed in England, while 3,805 were injured.

### VISCOUNT HAYASHI'S HOLIDAY.

Intends To Return to England, but May Become Foreign Secretary at Tokio.

With reference to the report current in diplomatic circles that Viscount Hayashi, who leaves England next week on a six-months' holiday in Japan, will not come back to this country, it is stated that it is his Excellency's present intention to return.

The rumour appears to have been based upon the fact that the Foreign Secretariat at Tokio has become vacant, and that the Ambassador in London occupies a position in the Diplomatic Service which would probably lead to the position being offered to him in the first instance.

### BRITISH BLUEJACKET MURDERED.

Two of His Comrades and a Showman Arrested and Charged with the Crime.

GENOA, Friday.—A sailor belonging to H.M. battleship Bulwark was found lying in the Via Fieschi this morning with a knife wound in the abdomen. The man was taken to a hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries.

Two English sailors and a member of Buffalo Bill's show have been arrested in connection with the affair.—Reuter.

#### GREEK VILLAGE SACKED.

SKALA, Friday.—A band of Bulgarians and Vlachs yesterday morning attacked the Greek village of Nissi, burning thirty houses, stables, and granaries, and killing three persons, including a child, and sixty cattle. The rest of the inhabitants escaped by flight.—Reuter.

#### STEEL TRUST'S HUGE PROFITS.

NEW YORK, Friday.—The Steel Trust's report for 1905, which has just been issued, shows a surplus of over £8,000,000.—Exchange.

## ENGLAND WANTS FEWER PEOPLE.

Mr. Bryce, M.P., Puts in a Plea for Smaller Population.

## GARDEN CITY IDEALS.

"I confess I am not one of those who regard the growth of population as it used to be regarded 200 or 300 years ago—as being in itself a good thing."

These words, uttered yesterday by no less a personage than Mr. James Bryce, the philosophical Secretary for Ireland, will probably evoke some interesting rejoinders from the "race suicide" alarmists, represented in America by President Roosevelt and in England by a distinguished Bishop. Mr. Bryce was speaking at a conference in connection with the Garden City movement, held at the Criterion Restaurant. The idea of the conference was to discuss the best way of applying garden city principles to London.

Mr. Bryce said it had been his opinion for many years that our cities were growing too large. It was doubtful whether the population of the whole earth, or, at any rate, those parts of it which were best fitted for industrial enterprises, was not growing too large.

It was far more important that those who were on the earth, and who would be on the earth in future, should be happy, than that there should be more of them. In fact, when we looked at what had happened during the last century and a half, we were sometimes inclined to fear that the globe itself was becoming a congested area.

### London Too Large.

Meantime we were confronted in England and Scotland with the problem of how to check the growth of great cities. The growth was most marked in the case of London, which, with the development of electric tramways, was embracing what were formerly distant towns. Croydon would soon be practically one town with London. One of the evils of great towns was the enormous waste of time which occurred in carrying workpeople to and from their work.

There was some doubt among medical authorities as to the precise results of living in cities as compared with living in the country, for it seemed that by living in cities we became more immune from certain germs. It was hard to believe, however, that those who grew up in a smoky atmosphere, amid the continual din of cities and with few opportunities of breathing fresh air, could become a population of the same muscular dimensions and vigour as the population which grew up among the green fields of England two or three centuries ago.

It could not be a good thing for a country that the great bulk of its population should be a city population instead of a rural population. We ought to aim at keeping the populations of our new industrial cities between the limits of 30,000 and 60,000.

### Acres of Rich and Acres of Poor.

As to the influence of the big city on our literature, Mr. Bryce declared that in many of the crowded districts of the town the children who read poetry at school did not understand the passages in the poems dwelling on the beauties of Nature, for they knew nothing of those things.

The point well made by Mr. Bryce was the need for breaking up the segregation of the different classes of the community which was a feature of big cities. The rich ought not to live out of sight of the poor. A natural community—a community such as London was in the Middle Ages, where the rich and poor lived close together, and where, by the influence of institutions, such as guilds, the interests of employers were bound up with their humbler workers in the same craft.

In a place like Garden City there could be a better representation of society as a whole than in London, where we had square miles of poor people in the East and acres of rich in the West.

### Standardised Houses.

Mr. W. H. Lever, M.P., of Port Sunlight, introduced a discussion on co-partnership in housing. He advocated the standardisation of parts of houses. Why should not a man be able to go to a builder and order a house of a certain type without first having to get an architect to design a house for him? It would not lead to monotony, and would give a great impetus to the building trade. Houses could be much more cheaply built.

Later in the day Mr. H. Rider Haggard, opening a discussion on rural depopulation, said the chief cause that induced the rural exodus was the utter lack of prospect before the labouring man. At the age of twenty-two he was earning as much as ever he would be earning if he stayed on the land. A palliative for this state of things was to be found in the introduction of small holdings. It would be far better that the children of England, instead of being fed out of the rates, should be fed by their parents on the land of England.

Resolutions in favour of these various objects were passed.

## TUBE RECIPROCITY.

Transfer Tickets Wanted from Central London Railway to "Baker-Loo."

The suggestion made by the *Daily Mirror* that transfer tickets, available on the new Baker-street—Waterloo tube, and also on the Central London Railway, should be issued for threepence each, is bearing fruit.

Sir George Gibb, who now occupies the position formerly held by the late Mr. Verkes in the Metropolitan Railway world, is devoting careful attention to the proposal, and a public announcement dealing with the question of interchange, with a probable reduction of fares, may be looked for at an early date.

As the *Daily Mirror* pointed out, there are already special facilities for the interchange of passengers between the new tube and the Central London, one at the junction at Oxford Circus. Still, travellers have to pay the full fare of twopence on each line.

This is felt to be a hardship by passengers, and large numbers have written letters approving the *Daily Mirror's* proposal. What chiefly concerns both railway companies is that it means a reduction of fares, which the managers contend, have already reached the irreducible minimum.

Yesterday the first delay occurred on the "Baker-Loo" tube, when the brake of one of the trains jammed when crossing the metals from the down lines to the up line at the terminus. In less than half an hour, however, the obstacle was removed, and all ran smoothly for the rest of the day.

## OVATION FOR PRINCESS ENA.

Affectionately Greeted by a British Crowd on Leaving London for the Isle of Wight.

Princess Ena, accompanied by her mother, Princess Henry of Battenberg, and Princess Beatrice of Saxe-Coburg, yesterday went from London to Osborne House, Isle of Wight, receiving a hearty send-off from a large crowd at Victoria Station.

Princess Ena drove up to Victoria Station in a brougham from Kensington Palace, and alighted from the carriage some distance from the saloon, to which she walked amid the cheers and handkerchief-waving of the crowd.

The Princess, who smiled and bowed her acknowledgments, was wearing a navy blue costume with cream insertion, and a hat to match, while over her shoulders was a handsome brown fur.

The date of Her Royal Highness's return, and immediate future movements are as yet undecided, but she will remain at the Isle of Wight for some time, and, as previously stated, she will be visited there by King Alfonso.

## POLO PONIES USEFUL FOR WARFARE.

Authorities Interested in the Show of Sturdy Little Animals Sometimes Preferable to Chargers.

There are more polo clubs in existence this year than ever. An idea of the rapid growth in popularity of the game was given by the large attendance at the Polo and Riding Pony Society's Show at Islington yesterday.

"The demand for polo ponies is greatly in excess of the supply," said one of the judges to the *Daily Mirror*, "yet, owing to the fact that an accepted type of polo pony is now established and regularly bred, the great prices formerly paid for single mounts—often as much as £600 or £700—can no longer be known."

"The military authorities are taking a keen interest in the show which includes many classes of small horses, because one of the lessons of the war in South Africa was that the small horse or pony, with plenty of grit, is preferable to the old-fashioned charger type for modern warfare."

## ANOTHER MERSTHAM TRAGEDY.

Another Merstham Tunnel tragedy has taken place. A respectably-dressed man died in the Redhill Cottage Hospital yesterday morning from wounds in the throat, supposed to have been self-inflicted. He was found on the embankment near the tunnel, with his throat cut, gesticulating wildly. His name is said to be Smith, and he evidently came from Nottingham.

## NIGHT LIGHTS IN NAVAL MANOEUVRES.

The Admiralty states that merchant vessels operating in the coming naval manoeuvres will not be required to steam without lights.

War vessels on both sides, as well as merchant vessels, will carry the ordinary navigation lights throughout the operations.

## SIGNOR CARUSO'S RECORD SALARY.

During the season at the New York Metropolitan Opera House, Signor Caruso's salary has totalled £22,000, which beats the record hitherto held by M. Jean de Reszke.

## WOMEN IN POLITICS.

Exciting End to a Suffrage Meeting in Hanover-square.

## LADY HURLS A VASE.

Her Majesty Woman is showing that when she gets her foot firmly in the political arena she will make things decidedly more interesting than they are now.

Following on the raid on the Premier's house by excited suffragists last week comes another thrilling incident. It occurred at the end of a "woman's suffrage" meeting at the Marquis de L'Évêque's town house, in Hanover-square. The suffragists were of the higher social rank, but the discussion degenerated into something reminiscent of Bret Harte's famous Antiquarian Society upon the Stanislaus.

After one lady had eloquently extolled the millennium of universal suffrage, a fair suffragist, whose name is given in Debrett and Burke, rose and sneered at the enthusiasm of the first speaker. "If you had a vote," she said, "you would only vote for the handsome men."

### Ladies To Drop Titles.

The first speaker rose and indignantly repudiated the soft insinuation. "I am surprised," she cried, "to hear you say such a thing, more particularly as you know I am a married woman."

High words followed, and finally the aggrieved lady, exasperated beyond measure, seized a valuable Sévres china vase which lay close to hand, and hurled it at her opponent. The latter was narrowly missed, and the vase was shattered to atoms against a mirror at the far end of the room. Incidentally it narrowly escaped destroying a priceless statuette of Parian marble, whizzing past with barely an inch to spare.

The Marquis de L'Évêque, speaking to the *Daily Mirror* last evening, explained that the object of the meeting was to demand suffrage for women en bloc, and to repudiate the methods of intimidation adopted by a particular section. "I have heard," he said, "that many ladies proposed to drop their titles to gain their ends, and merely pass as women." Another meeting is shortly to be held, and it is hoped with more auspicious results.

## LABOUR PRIMROSE LEAGUE.

Another evidence of the present political activity of women was given yesterday.

Seven fair conspirators met in the upper room of a house in a quiet London square—Lincoln's Inn-fields—and arranged nothing less than the knitting together, in one huge political "machine," of the working-class women of the United Kingdom.

They were the executive committee of the Women's Labour League, which, while formed on the model of the Primrose League and the Women's Liberal Federation, is to outnumber the two combined in membership, and say those who have launched it, will altogether overshadow both in power and influence.

"Each member," said one lady, "will be a working member." There are to be no "dead-heads" in the Women's Labour League, or persons who enter their names for mere social reasons. We are all in earnest."

Although their purpose is so tremendous, the seven conspirators appeared to be just ordinary kind-hearted women of the Dorcas Society type; and they met at the apartments of one of their number, whose children were fondled and caressed by the conspirators before the business of the afternoon commenced.

Mrs. J. Ramsay Macdonald, wife of the Labour M.P. for Leicester, and Mrs. Mary A. Macpherson, wife of another Labour M.P., are mainly responsible for the League.

Half a million members, each paying 2d. a year to headquarters, and 6d. a year to her local branch, are spoken of with confidence, and it is obvious that a league with a central fund of £80,000 a year would be a power in the land.

On June 21 a great conference is to be held in Leicester.

## MIDDLE-CLASS PARTY.

"The success of the inaugural meeting at the Cannon-street Hotel exceeded all anticipations," said Mr. L. P. Sidney, hon. secretary of the new Middle-Class Party, to the *Daily Mirror* yesterday. "At the eleventh hour we had to alter our plans and engage the largest hall."

"There were 580 present at the meeting. This number was far greater than we had expected, and we had only provided 250 printed slips inviting people to join the movement. Over 300 people gave in their names in addition to those who signed by letter their intention of joining. We have also had many encouraging promises of financial support, and the work of propagation is already actively in full in fifty or sixty districts."

The new party is determined to secure the return to Parliament of representatives who will vote for measures on their merits, ignoring party politics altogether. Those wishing to join the movement should write to 62, Imperial-buildings, Ludgate-circus, E.C.

## SELF-DENIAL WEEK.

Huge Sums Which Could Be Raised If Salvationists' Example Were Followed.

To-day begins the Self-Denial Week of the Salvation Army and a large number of its admirers.

All the "soldiers" will help the fund by going without some of the "necessaries" of life, and sympathisers will deny themselves such luxuries or "necessaries" as:

Coal.	Coffee.
Tea.	Omnibus fares.
Meat.	Tobacco.
Butter.	Cigarettes.
	£3,000,000
	Tramway and omnibus fares (London)...
	33,000
	Football matches...
	5,000
	Theatre (London)...
	300,000
	Tea and coffee...
	500,000
	Tobacco...
	90,000

If their example were followed for a week by the nation, the Self-Denial Fund, it is estimated, would be to the following amounts saved:

On intoxicants £3,000,000

Tramway and omnibus fares (London)...

33,000

Football matches...

5,000

Theatre (London)...

300,000

Tea and coffee...

500,000

Tobacco...

90,000

But, of course, the dealers and others would lose in equal proportion.

Although much money has been subscribed to the Salvation Army funds during the last few months, a record "week" is anticipated. London, Scotland, and the West of England are the sources of the largest collections.

Many novel ways are adopted by the army's soldiers to collect money, each being given a free hand as to methods. The usual way is to leave envelopes at private houses requesting a subscription, and donations from persons in all classes are seldom refused.

Four youths in good positions will sell wood from door to door and collect old clothes for a jumble sale at Tottenham. In Falkirk a party of gentlemen have resolved to abstain from smoking during the week, and the amounts they usually spend in a week on tobacco will go to the fund.

## 26,000 MINERS ON STRIKE.

Rapid Growth of Agitation Resulting from the Disaster at Courrières.

LENS, Friday.—All the mining work is entirely at a standstill at Doures, Drocourt, Carvin, and Ostricourt, the number of men out being 26,000 at present.

Should no arrangement be made with the mining directors, the strikers will proceed northward with a view to spreading the strike.

Work has completely ceased at Courrières, where the men have decided to force the company to pay their wages during their enforced idleness.—Reuter.

## FIERCE FRENCH RELIGIOUS MELEE.

Peasants Force Soldiers To Retire with Two Officers and Ten Men Wounded.

Guerrilla tactics are being adopted by the peasants in the north of France against the efforts of the Government agents to take inventories of church property under the disestablishment law.

At Chapelle-Janson a commissariat party unconnected with the taking of church inventories was attacked by several hundred peasants armed with scythes, pitchforks, and bricks.

The church bells were ringing, and the soldiers were greeted by the crowd with cries of "Down with the burglars," accompanied by stones and pieces of wood.

More peasants were summoned, and the attack was persisted in until the officer in command decided to retire. Two officers and ten men were wounded.

## QUEEN NATALIE AGAIN BANISHED.

PARIS, Friday.—The "Echo de Paris" publishes under reserve information to the effect that the French Government have asked Queen Natalie of Sardinia to leave French territory on the grounds that she has taken an active part against the authorities in connection with the question of church inventories. Queen Natalie will transfer her residence from Bidart to St. Sebastian.—Exchange.

## BOYS FORCED TO EAT TOBACCO.

The attention of Mr. Birrell, President of the Board of Education, has been drawn to the case of a West Cumberland school teacher who, finding three boys chewing tobacco, took their stock and divided it into three parts, which he ordered them to chew and swallow.

Two of the boys became violently sick, and had to be put before the school fire for some time before they were able to walk home.

## ROBBED AN INFIRMARY NURSE.

Sentence of three months' hard labour was passed yesterday at the West London Police Court on Ernest White, an Ashton-under-Lyne carman, for stealing a clock belonging to Miss Mary Jeffries, a nurse at Marylebone Infirmary.

The theft was committed, it was said, as far back as March, 1905.

## JUDGE WARNS FURNITURE EXPERT

Witness Peremptorily Ordered to Answer Questions Properly.

### THE TENTH DAY.

The tenth day of the furniture case was Mr. Stone's day.

Mr. Stone is a gentleman who has been with Messrs. Oetmann for nearly twenty years, although he is still a young-looking man. He wears spectacles, and speaks with great deliberation.

The Court was disappointed yesterday when it was found that Mr. Lush, K.C., would be unable to cross-examine Mr. Stone, for Mr. Lush had been so sprightly in dealing with Mr. Young. The famous cross-examiner, however, had to attend in the Appeal Court to argue in the "Moulton case," and the task of questioning the witness fell to Mr. Acland, K.C.

That Mr. Acland had been called "impertinent" by Mr. Stone on the previous evening added to the meeting between the two.

"Do you consider that the Misses Jewell deserved all they got?" asked Mr. Acland with an air of expectancy that would have done credit to Mr. Lush.

#### "Brought on Themselves."

"They brought a good deal on themselves by being obnoxious," said Mr. Stone readily.

"And in similar circumstances you would do the same thing again?"

Mr. Stone replied that he thought so. As the ladies were £1,400 in arrears Messrs. Oetmann could not be said to be heartless.

"Is it your duty to attend seizures?" asked counsel blandly.

Mr. Stone, as second man in the counting-house, indignantly repudiated this suggestion. He only went to this case because it was a special case.

"Was it your first effort?" counsel continued.

The witness said "No," and the K.C. asked about "previous efforts."

"If you say a dozen you say the lot," replied Mr. Stone, taxing his memory. He added, with a touch of sadness in his voice: "They are not pleasant jobs, not things one sees for."

"I can quite understand that," said Mr. Acland. "You were stated to have said that these things were of weekly occurrence, were you not?"

Mr. Stone was indignant. "It is an absolute lie," he said.

#### "A Good Turn."

The Judge hereupon read from his note what Mr. Simmonds, the Eastbourne landlord, had put into the mouth of Mr. Stone: "We know what we can do. We have cases like this every week."

"I did not say that," was the reply.

The witness described how he had once "got into trouble through trying to do people a good turn." (Laughter.) He had listened to the entreaties of Mr. Pearl and the Misses Jewell, and had not reported the former at once on learning that he, Mr. Pearl, had borrowed money from the ladies, and had paid them back in furs.

It was pointed out to him that rough men had slept in the houses during the seizure. Mr. Stone thought that the men had a right to be there at night.

"Forgive me," said the Judge, pleasantly, "I shall point out to the jury that the men had a right to be there only at lawful hours."

There was the beginning of applause at this, but it was immediately suppressed.

#### Knives and Forks.

When some agreements were being examined the Judge remarked that an entry relating to knives, forks, etc., was in a different handwriting. Mr. Stone said that he did not think this had been added afterwards.

"The entry is not in the copy supplied to the plaintiffs," said Mr. Acland.

When Mr. Acland had finished and Mr. Dickens had re-examined, the Judge asked a question. On hearing that "Messrs. Oetmann were considering what they ought to do" Miss Ellen Jewell had declared that she would sell her jewellery. Why had she not been allowed time to realise? Why were the vans sent at once?

Mr. Stone said the vans went to be ready in case the jewellery had not been sold—in case no money for the rent had been realised.

Mr. Lush, who had returned to the court at this time, said: "Did you send the vans down to see whether the jewellery had been sold?" (Loud laughter.)

"Vans can't see," retorted the witness. "I went down to see."

"Do you usually travel to the seaside by van?" asked Mr. Lush, and then he asked a question, to which he required a simple reply, "Yes" or "No."

"I shall answer the question in my own way," said Mr. Stone.

"You will answer as you are told, or I will commit you," said the Judge. "You can explain afterwards."

When Mr. Stone had answered "No," and "explained," the Judge adjourned the Court with a genial, "Shall we part now?"

## HUSBAND IN A CUPBOARD.

Remarkable Evidence in the Divorce Court of an Amateur Detective.

The dangers and discomforts which bristle in the path of the amateur detective again entertained a crowded court during the evidence given yesterday by Mr. Root, bookmaker, of West Kensington, in the case in which he asks for a divorce on the ground of his wife's misconduct with Mr. Howard Charlesworth, of Putney Bridge-road. The hearing was again adjourned.

Mr. Root, the amateur detective, was cross-examined by Mr. Gill, K.C., as to his experiences. He said that on the night of May 4, when he alleged, misconduct occurred in his house, he was concealed and cramped in a cupboard for two hours. He first heard Mr. Charlesworth's voice at about a quarter to eight, and, tired of his uncomfortable position, stole away at about ten o'clock.

"Why did you not go into the room?" asked Mr. Gill.

"Because I had been 'tutored' that it was not safe for me to go in unless there was someone with me," replied Mr. Root. "I arranged with a detective to be on the other side of the road, so that I could give him the tip."

Mr. Root went on to say that on one occasion he "went for" Mr. Charlesworth, but his wife "collared" him. He admitted that after this incident he ran into the street and caused a crowd to collect by his shouting.

Mr. Weatherley, a witness, was cross-examined by Mr. Gill as to his betting transactions, and Mr. Gill remarked: "But however many times you have been convicted of bookmaking, it is at any rate a profitable business?"

"Well, you seem to know all about it," said Mr. Weatherley, amid laughter.

## APPEAL JUDGE AS RESPONDENT.

Lords Justices Announce That They Will Take Time To Consider Their Colleague's Case.

At the close of the arguments in the case of Grahame v. Moulton yesterday in the Court of Appeal, the Master of the Rolls intimated that their Lordships would take time to consider their judgment.

The action is brought by Mrs. Kenneth Grahame and Miss Winifred Thomson against their stepfather, Lord Justice Fletcher Moulton, for an account of moneys received and paid by him as trustee of their late mother's estate.

## BETRAYED BY A BREEZE.

Two Men Arrested Because the Wind Disclosed the Contents of Their Pockets.

Two Nottingham detectives were riding on the top of a tramcar when the wind blew open the coat of a man sitting opposite, named Storer, and revealed a quantity of metal protruding from his pockets.

This accidental occurrence led to the arrest of Storer and another man named Lowater, the police finding at the house in which they lived a large quantity of machine parts, alleged to have been stolen from a factory.

## KILLED BY A NAIL.

Tragic Sequel to a Quarrel Between Orangemen in the North of Ireland.

At County Antrim Assizes yesterday Robert Devlin was indicted for the manslaughter of James Brown, the stationmaster at Ballycastle.

The matter arose from the formation of an Independent Orange Order in North Antrim. An alteration ensued between Devlin and Brown, who was connected with the Independent Order. Devlin, who belonged to the old institution, failed to get his certificate of membership to take to America.

Brown received a fatal wound on the head, which, it is alleged, was inflicted by the accused with a nail.

## APPEAL IN WHISKY CASE APPROVED.

A meeting of representatives of the entire whisky trade in Scotland at Glasgow yesterday agreed to approve of the appeal in the North London whisky case being taken to the Quarter Sessions.

It was decided that a committee be appointed to wait upon the President of the Local Government Board, to ask for an inquiry into the whole matter so that it might be settled in an authoritative manner.

## MR. FRED HORNER'S AFFAIRS.

At the London Bankruptcy Court yesterday the Official Receiver applied, in the case of Mr. F. W. Horner, ex-M.P. for North Lambeth, for an order under Rule 192, adjudicating the debtor a bankrupt. Mr. Registrar Hope adjourned the application for a fortnight.

## THE MODEL ARMY.

Military Ardour of the "Spectator" Recruits at Hounslow.

## TRAINING TO FIGHT.

Thirty-two more raw recruits joined the "Spectator" army at Hounslow Barracks yesterday, making a regimental roll of eighty-eight in all up to date.

The reason why the complement of 100 is not at work is because many of the young men had to give notice of a few days to employers.

As the day broke, with the wind moaning over the broad heath, reveille sounded, and the bumbling soldiers rolled punctually out of their military bunks and began their training.

The *Daily Mirror* is informed that the following is the diary of the first day in camp:

6.0 a.m.—Reveille.
7.0 a.m.—First parade—squad drill and free gymnastics.
8.0 a.m.—Breakfast.
9.0 a.m.—Second parade—similar to first.
10.15 a.m.—Outfitting with clothes, boots, etc.
1.0 p.m.—Dinner.
2.30 p.m.—Third parade for half-hour.
3.0 to 4.0 p.m.—Fatigue on fatigue, preparing two huts for drills and gymnastics during the wet weather.
5.0 p.m.—Tea.
Evening—Playing games or at canteen.
10.0 p.m.—Taps and goodnight.

## Best of Raw Recruits.

"They make the best raw recruits I ever saw," said a sergeant-instructor, late of the Grenadier Guards, to the *Daily Mirror* last night. "The young men are above the average, very smart, and reflect credit on themselves."

The barracks in which the experiment is being tried has been furnished by the Government. It includes guns and all barracks utensils. The uniforms of khaki Cheviot and the boots are regulation, but are paid for out of the funds of the "Spectator."

About seventy-five of the recruits received their uniforms yesterday, and made a great effort to drop into the Army "swagger," some of them succumbing as to the manner born.

The reason why the experiment is likely to succeed is because the young men will be straightway trained to fight, not to become domestic servants, cooks, gardeners to majors, grooms or valets to generals.

During the six months, moreover, Colonel Pollock will not be hampered by regulations of an Army corps, but will be free to do as he pleases, and may devote all his time to his company.

## Football and Shooting.

One of his first innovations was his preparation for outdoor sports, such as football and shooting at balls wobbling on jets of water. He believes that physical training is as important as soldiering.

The gallant colonel gave the *Daily Mirror* some radical ideas about Army reform.

"If they would burn down the House of Commons—" said he; "but I ought not to say more."

"If they would let the Army alone, it would reform itself. I wish people would treat the Army as they now do the Navy. They don't know anything about it; though, of course, Parliament know all about everything."

To-day will be a clearing-up day at Hounslow Barracks. Sunday will be a day of rest and public "spectators." As all of the men are healthy, some of independent means, and many handsome, they are expecting an array of frocks and frills to admire their martial ardour and smart appearance. In these essential respects they are already fully fledged Tommy Atkins.

## DOCTORS NOT "EXECUTIONERS."

Medical Profession Sternly Sets Its Face Against Bill to Make Killing Legal.

Severe comments are made by the "British Medical Journal" on the Bill submitted by "a crank of a particularly noxious type or a mere notoriety hunter" to the Iowa Legislature, proposing that persons suffering from hopeless disease be put out of existence with an anaesthetic.

The statement attributed to the introducer of the Bill that he simply wishes to make lawful what is daily practised in every large hospital in the United States, shows, says the journal, that he is more credulous than the simplest person who swallows without straining the "platform facts" of anti-vivisection or anti-vaccination, or is "a liar of the basest kind."

The medical profession has always sternly set its face against a measure that would inevitably pave the way to the grossest abuse and would "degrade them to the position of executioners."

## LORD VILLIERS.

The statement that Lord Villiers, son of Lord Jersey, ex-M.P. for North Lambeth, was engaged to be married, which was published in several London papers, including, we regret to say, the *Daily Mirror*, is, Lord Villiers asks us to state, incorrect.

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

Many Entertainments To-day. When Sons of Erin Will Wear the Shamrock.

To-day every Irish man and woman in the United Kingdom will wear shamrock in honour of St. Patrick.

All the week London has been preparing for the great Irish festival. To estimate the total supply of shamrock which has arrived at Covent Garden is almost impossible. It is greater by far than ever before, as a leading dealer informed the *Daily Mirror* yesterday.

"Since shamrock began to arrive last Saturday," he said, "we have sold nearly 1,400 sprays, which are 2d. each, and I expect that the total will reach nearly 3,000 by midday to-morrow. This morning alone I have sold nearly 600 buttonholes."

"There have been between five and six tons of shamrock in the market this week, and we have sold about 3cwt., in addition to buttonholes, and will probably dispose of about 5cwt. before we have finished. We are getting supplies by every post from Killarney, Skibbereen, Cork, and all over Ireland."

The largest consignment of the week—nearly two tons—arrives at Covent Garden at three this morning in time for the morning's rush.

Announcements in Erse that real shamrock from Ireland would be on sale to-day were displayed in many shop windows yesterday.

In celebration of the day there are at least twenty entertainments and dinners to be held, chief among which are, of course, the Albert Hall concert and the St. Patrick's Day dinner at the Hotel Cecil.

H.R.H. the Duchess of Albany opened the annual St. Patrick's Day sale of the Irish Industries Association at Lansdowne House yesterday. Over £123,000 has been handed to Irish cottagers as a result of these sales of their handicrafts in the past.

## QUARTETTE OF CENTENARIANS.

Birthday Celebrations of Hale and Hearty Musician, General, Tailor, and Farmer.

At least four centenarians are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Mr. Manuel Garcia, the famous teacher of singing, and one of the most remarkable figures in the musical history of our generation, enters upon his 102nd year to-day. So well is he that occasionally gives lessons yet.

General Dixon Seager, a Dorsetshire man, who has held a commission in a British regiment, served in the Austrian army, commanded the Nicaraguan forces, and been the trusted adviser of Sultans of Morocco, has also left his 101st year behind him.

Mr. James Bell, of Galashiels, the oldest tailor in the kingdom, celebrates his 100th birthday anniversary to-day, and Mr. David Williams, a farmer of Hendrefawr, Wales, received congratulations on his 103rd birthday yesterday.

## PROPERTY IN SANDS OF THE SEA.

Ramsgate Corporation Establish the Claim of Ratepayers to Their Own "Coral Strand."

The Chancery Court decided an important sea case yesterday. The Mayor and Corporation of Ramsgate sought to restrain William Debling and others from placing chairs on a certain part of Ramsgate Sands, which had been leased to the Corporation by the Board of Trade.

In the agreement the Corporation agreed not to allow anything which would cause a nuisance to the neighbourhood, and the defendants claimed a prescriptive right, but Mr. Justice Buckley decided against them, and judgment was entered for the Corporation, with costs.

## FED THROUGH A TUBE IN HIS SIDE.

Death of a Man Who Lived Without "Eating" for Eleven Years.

Joseph Wright, a man who lived for eleven years without eating in the ordinary manner, died on Thursday night at Kingstown, near Dublin.

He drank, instead of porter, some detergent which destroyed his gutlet and other internal organs; but a skilful doctor saved his life and enabled him to live in comparative comfort by means of a tube in his side, through which food was conveyed directly to the stomach.

Although unable to eat, Knight was, however, able to enjoy a smoke.

## CABMEN AND THE POLICE.

Mr. H. C. Lea is going to ask a question in the House calling the attention of the Home Secretary to the "harassing" of London cabmen by the Metropolitan Police. He intends to ask for a return of summonses issued against cabmen by the City Police as compared with the number of those issued by the Metropolitan Police.

## BLACKMAILING CHAUFFEURS.

Golden Days for the Unscrupulous  
Motor-Car Driver.

## 'COMMISSIONS' DEMANDED.

A strange problem confronts the Metropolitan Electrical Supply Company, which is opening two new garages in London—one at Bayswater and the other at South Kensington.

"To what extent shall we bribe the chauffeurs?"

"Other companies pay the chauffeurs 5 per cent. on the amount of their masters' bills, and as all the chauffeurs are already bound to other firms, we must pay more than that, or else our garages will remain empty."

Owners of garages, it seems, are in the power of chauffeurs as few people are in the hands of anybody.

An unscrupulous chauffeur in search of an addition to his income arranges beforehand to take his master's custom to a certain garage, knowing that the owner will pay him a bonus for doing so, the sum to be received ranging according to the size and number of cars in his master's possession.

Then he manipulates the motor-car he is driving in such a way that it repeatedly runs badly and breaks down. Blame for bad cleaning or something of the kind is then put on the garage which his master is using, and the rest is easy.

### Handsome Commission.

His master's motor-cars are moved to the garage arranged for by the chauffeur, and for ever after the unscrupulous driver gets a handsome commission on all oil, petrol, and accessories supplied, and all repairs effected. Sometimes this means that an owner employing a man who thinks more of commission than of loyalty, pays twice as much as he should for running expenses.

"It is a custom that we will always endeavour to discontinue," said a representative of the Wolseley Suddeley Automobile Car Company yesterday, "but it does exist."

### "DAILY MIRROR" TRIP TO PARIS.

Monday will be the last day for sending in applications to join.

In four days' time a large party of *Daily Mirror* excursionists will be starting on their way to Paris in order to cheer the English Rugby team on the occasion of their first international match with France, and also to take part in the joys of the Mi-Carême Carnival.

Representative sportsmen—an M.P., several clergymen, and doctors, lawyers, and other professional men among them—have sent in their names for inclusion in the party, and there is no doubt that the trip will be a gigantic success.

Never before has so much been offered for so little. So remarkable are the arrangements which the *Daily Mirror* has been able to make that a person may travel to Paris and back, second class, enjoy the excellent hotel accommodation, and be admitted free to the Alhambra and Bostock's Hippodrome—all for the sum of £3. For £4 5s. the *Daily Mirror* will provide a first-class ticket to Paris and accommodation at one of the best hotels.

Applications for tickets, which should be accompanied in all cases by postal orders or crossed cheques, should be made immediately to—

The Manager,  
*Daily Mirror*,  
12, Whitefriars, E.C.

We cannot guarantee any tickets after Monday. The party will leave Victoria on Wednesday, March 21, by the 2.20 p.m. train, and will arrive in Paris at 10.15 the same night.

On the Thursday there will be the international Rugby match and the Mi-Carême Carnival to amuse the visitors. On Friday they may return to London by either the 2.40 p.m. via Boulogne, which comes into Victoria at 10.45 in the evening, or the 8.40 p.m. via Calais, which arrives at 5.35 a.m. The tickets are available for a fortnight.

The foreign contingent which is to take part in the Mi-Carême Carnival will arrive in Paris on Tuesday, and will spend five days in the capital. A series of fêtes has been arranged for their entertainment.

On the night of their arrival a great ball will be given in the Central Markets, with a cinematograph and other distractions. The foreign queens and their Courts will make their solemn entry at nine o'clock, and will be received by their Paris hosts in gala dress.

The following day will be devoted to showing the visitors the principal sites of the capital, ending at the Folies Bergère, where there will be a special gala programme in their honour.

On Thursday, the great day, after the Mi-Carême Procession, a banquet of 800 persons will bring together Queens, Courts, and committee—with all their invited guests. Friday will be spent in sightseeing.

*Daily Mirror* has seldom been more gay than it will be next week.

## LAST NIGHT'S NEWS ITEMS.

Over £100 has been subscribed to the Stoke-on-Trent testimonial to Mr. John Ward, M.P., and it is hoped to raise the aggregate sum to £150.

By a gas explosion at the Stockton Malleable Ironworks yesterday six men were injured.

Mr. John Shaw, ex-president of the Surveyors' Institution, died yesterday at Derby, aged eighty-one.

The death is reported of the Rev. Thomas Davies, one of the best-known Roman Catholic priests in the diocese of Southwark.

The first performance of "The Heir at Law," the "classic" comedy which Mr. Cyril Maude is reviving at the Waldorf Theatre, will take place next Tuesday afternoon.

It was announced yesterday that the Duke of Connaught has accepted the position of patron-in-chief, in succession to the late Duke of Cambridge, of the Army and Navy Veterans' Association.

At an inquest upon the body of an infant at Stockport yesterday it was stated in medical evidence that death was due to inanition from starvation, in consequence of the child having a hare-lip.

The parochial organisations of the All Saints' and St. Aldhelm's districts, Branscombe, Dorset, include a marmalade-making institution, the profits from which are devoted to philanthropic purposes.

Labour members are finding their correspondence accumulating by leaps and bounds since they entered Parliament, and Mr. Williams, member for the Gower Division of Glamorganshire, has received a letter covering 1,700 closely-written pages.

Application has been made to the Manchester Watch Committee for permission for Sacco, the fasting-man, to use the Free Trade Hall for his forty days' fast.

"Flamelette is almost as bad as gunpowder," declared Dr. Waldo, the South London coroner, at Southwark yesterday; "it is difficult to say which is the more dangerous."

Sir William Carrington, Controller of the Prince of Wales's household, left London yesterday for Monte Carlo, whence he will return before the Prince and Princess arrive in England from India.

Aged ninety-one and eighty-five respectively, Mr. and Mrs. Doe, of Fairsted, Essex, have just died. They had lived in the same house for sixty-five years, and neither had ever been in a railway train.

Furious at losing a case, Thomas Haws, a butcher, created an extraordinary scene in Loughborough County Court yesterday by knocking down the defendant and assaulting the police. He was fined £3 or seven days.

Great excitement was caused in Russell-square yesterday afternoon by a collision between a motor-omnibus and a van carrying tubs of butter. One side of the omnibus was completely smashed, but beyond slight shocks no passengers were injured.

Within six weeks twelve deaths have occurred through mining accidents in East Denbighshire, the latest being that of a youth named William Jones, who was killed yesterday whilst attempting to couple some loaded coal trucks in the Black Park Collieries.

### CITY'S SENIOR MEMBER.



The Conservatives of the City, who returned Sir Edward Clarke to Parliament, have expressed their dissatisfaction of his free trade speech.—(London Stereo.)

We have received 1s. from Mrs. E. Davies, 5, Lee-road, S.E., to be forwarded to the Courrières miners' fund.

The new "revue" to be produced at the Coliseum at Easter will cost £12,000, and will comprise 300 performers.

Scores of fish of all sorts have been cast up by the heavy seas on the North Yorkshire coast between Redcar and Whitby.

A Nottingham shoemaker named Bowring, in seven months' spare time, has made a pair of ladies' boots from a solid block of coal.

Three miners have been fined £1 each with costs at Porth, South Wales, for being in possession of pipes and matches while at work.

A Select Committee of the House of Commons has been appointed to effect economies in the supply of stationery to the Houses of Parliament.

Before the Leeds licensing magistrates it was stated by the landlord of a small inn that 4,684 was the average number of drinks served in the course of a week.

"There appear to be some extraordinarily famous fools in the Isle of Wight," remarked Judge Gye in the Isle of Wight County Court yesterday, in a case dealing with IOUs.

A police census is now being taken, and among the questions asked are: "Where were you born? Where brought up? Have you ever worked on a farm? Have you served in the Army or Navy?"

At yesterday's meeting of the Royal Commission on the Care of the Feeble-Minded, the establishment was suggested of a large colony under the charge of some religious order, such as that established with success in Bavaria.

### ST. PAUL'S MIDDAY PREACHER.



Commencing next Monday, the Rev. Charles Henry Grundy, vicar of St. Peter's, Brockley, S.E., for five days preaches the midday sermon at St. Paul's Cathedral.

The last census taken in Usen, Macedonia, revealed two centenarian sisters, one 113 and the other 100 years old, and both in good health.

Lord Roberts has been asked to open a new rifle club which is being formed at Deptford. The Greenwich Guards have given the use of a labour-yard for the range.

Emphasising the increase of wireless telegraphy in the Navy, yesterday's appointments contained the names of five officers detailed for special duty as "wireless telegraph experts."

Mr. Ernest de Munck, the well-known violinist and professor at the Royal Academy of Music, has been nominated Chevalier of the Legion of Honour by the King of the Belgians.

The coroner at Southwark told the jury yesterday that he remembered the case of a woman over 100 years of age who was kept alive for twelve months by having a tube full of food passed down her throat three times a day.

Bristol has decided to defray the emigration expenses to Canada of eleven families, consisting of forty-eight persons, at a cost of £282 16s. 3d. The distress committee are also entertaining applications from twenty other families.

The £5,000 bequeathed by the late Mr. H. C. Richards, K.C., M.P., for the purpose of rebuilding St. Paul's Cross in St. Paul's Churchyard, will be utilised to erect a smaller monument, plans for which will shortly be submitted to the executors.

The postal clerks now in conference at Birmingham debated yesterday whether, in view of the value of their time, they should accept an invitation on behalf of the local committee to visit Mr. Chamberlain's residence at Highbury. The visit was eventually decided upon.

## THEATRES AND MUSIC-HALLS.

A DELPHI THEATRE. Manager, Otto Stuart. LAST NIGHT, TO-NIGHT, at 8.15. LAST MATINEE, TO-DAY, at 2.15. A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM.

MEASURE FOR MEASURE. March 20. See Notice below. Tel. 2645 Gerard. Box Office 10 to 10.

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## Daily Mirror

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1906.

## CO-OPERATIVE LIVING.

An encouraging report as to London's "Ideal Suburb" was given at the meeting of the Garden City Association. Sixty thousand pounds has already been subscribed towards laying out at Hampstead a large building estate in such a manner as to make life a pleasure instead of a pain, as it is in most great cities.

The reason why most suburban houses are so ugly and so inconvenient, and so hemmed in by other dwellings, does not lie altogether in the greed of the cheap builder. It is to be found in the absence, in the public interest, of any restriction upon his nasty method.

If you leave a pig at large, it will make a horrid mess of things. So long as speculative builders, who have no artistic sense nor any ambition except to amass money, are allowed to build just as they please, the natural consequences will be long rows of hideous brick-boxes, ill-planned and uncomfortable, merely made to sell.

At Hampstead the Association have laid their plans carefully in advance. There will be plenty of open space, plenty of variety in construction, plenty of light, sunshine, air. Even the cottages will have each a tenth of an acre of garden, enough to grow fruit and vegetables in, and to produce close on two shillings' worth every week.

One specially interesting feature of the Garden Suburb will be large buildings where people can live in common, as soldiers do in barracks or undergraduates at Oxford and Cambridge. Here is a significant sign of the times. Before many years are past this way of living will be very much on the spread.

In almost every respect it will be more convenient than living in separate houses. It will save money, it will save labour, it will save trouble. Look at any street of houses. Every house has a kitchen fire (unless the owner is sensible enough to use a gas cooking-stove). Every house is preparing its own dinner. Most houses do some of their own washing. Every house has a certain number of papers, books, and magazines which are just looked at and then thrown away.

Suppose that row of houses had a common kitchen, a common dining-room, a common laundry, a common reading-room. Everyone would get nicer as well as cheaper food. Waste would be avoided, and they could afford to employ a few really good cooks instead of a great many cheap ones.

There would never be a "Monday morning smell" of washing. There need never be complaints of defective laundry-work. The common laundry could be fitted with all the best appliances.

Instead of reading a paper or two and a book or two at home, the inhabitants of the street could take their choice among all the publications of the day in a handsome library, airy, well-lit, comfortable to sit in.

Many other luxuries they might enjoy if they clubbed together to procure them—a gymnasium, a swimming-bath with baths of other kinds attached, a hall for concerts, lectures, and so on.

Lawn-tennis and cricket grounds, with leafy walks and sunny sitting-places, could be made by throwing into one large space all the tiny strips of garden, which are of very little use as they are.

The servant problem would be far less difficult under such conditions. Housework would be reduced to a minimum. Even the housemaids could be employed in common, and given a building of their own to live in.

Yes, that is the sensible, economical way to live, as well as the more sociable. What should we lose by it? Nothing, except a little "privacy," which is a very doubtful benefit, and often a mere blind for the indulgence of morose ill-temper.

What should we gain by it? Leisure, comfort, peace of mind, freedom from many household worries, a rounder, fuller life.

## THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

TO-DAY is St. Patrick's Day, and the feast is to be celebrated in a suitable manner in London, as well as in Dublin. Yesterday the Duchess of Albany opened the sale of the Royal Irish Industries' Association, which will be continued at Lansdowne House to-day; and, besides, the Benevolent Society of St. Patrick holds its 123rd anniversary festival, under Lord Desart's presidency, at the Prince's Galleries. Meanwhile, Lady Limerick, who has come to be known as the "Shamrock Countess," has sent out the usual number of tin boxes containing sprigs of the national plant to be worn by all patriotic Irishmen this morning.

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Why is the shamrock thus eternally connected with the name of the Blessed Patrick? Principally, no doubt, because he used its trefoil leaf in his sermons to illustrate the doctrine of the Trinity. But the shamrock is also connected in some mysterious way with Patrick's old enemies, the serpents. Irish peasants believe in the great value of the leaf as a cure for snake-bite, and it is from the peasants that we must learn the spirit of legends like this one, not from dull people who write ponderous books to explain them all away. And the best way to commemorate St. Patrick's Day would be to go to St. Patrick's country and let oneself

singer in comic opera, appeared one night with a rival who insisted upon getting just a little in front of her, and hiding her from the audience. Mlle. Sully thereupon hesitated not a second, but went boldly up to the tactless person and struck her in the face.

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Mlle. Martial, too, has suffered from jealousy, and she once adapted a pretty Borgia device for assuaging its thirst. She sent her rival—this time it was an "affaire de cœur"—a box of sweets, for she knew her to be very fond of them. When the lady had swallowed about six of them, however, she began to feel uneasy, and examining those left in the box discovered that they contained not cream, but fishhooks—nice, piercing fishhooks, horribly indigestible. For this little exploit Mlle. Martial was punished by cruel incarceration until the rival managed, after all, to digest the fishhooks and recover.

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Mr. Leslie Faber has fallen in with what is becoming a fashion in the dramatic world by giving a "reading" to a musical accompaniment—the poem read, on the occasion in question, being Fitzgerald's "Omar." One must think, however, that a musical voice is really more effective than any instrument, in spite of the arguments of Mr. W. B. Yeats and Miss Florence Farr, who try to convince us that quite a new art might be evolved

## THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

## BISHOP GORE AND THE PUBLICANS.

Bishop Gore, in making his reference to the publican's business as a "disgusting occupation," should have remembered the large number of Church dignitaries, clergy, Church workers (almsgivers), and taking, in public, an active part in temperance work, who are closely connected with the "trade."

They are quite contented to patronise by their support, take shares and derive the dividends from large stores and trading companies having huge wine and spirit departments—a system of trading, which, I fear, has done much towards female intemperance, especially amongst the more leisurely classes of the community.

These good people are quite willing to receive their dividends, partly through these profitable departments, although I am sure many would soon to have any connection (however small) with some well-conducted village inn.

FRANK WILLIAM URQUHART.

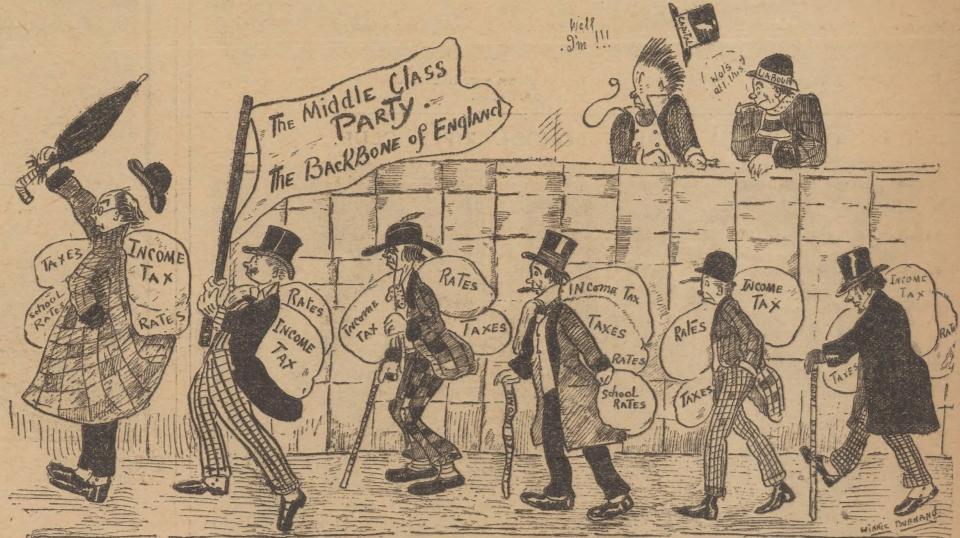
Royal-crescent, Holland Park, W.

## THE BASINGSTOKE ELECTION.

As one who worked for Mr. Salter during the recent by-election, I beg to protest against the statement that Mr. Polden assisted the tariff reform candidate in any way.

During the whole of the contest Mr. Polden's interference was the source of great anxiety to the

## THE NEW MIDDLE-CLASS PARTY.—By MISS WINIFRED BURNAND.



The gifted little daughter of Sir Francis Burnand drew this cartoon for the "Daily Mirror." It shows the new political organisation marching to Parliament exhibiting their burdens of grievances.

be haunted for awhile by the beliefs and images that still illuminate the minds of his children.

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One cannot help thinking sometimes that the good saint was a little hard on snakes. Particularly one remembers with pity that monster serpent that he commanded to remain in Lough Dingle, between Cork and Tipperary, chained there, as the local man said, "until Monday." Is the serpent patient as well as subtle? It is to be hoped that he is, for that Monday passed, and all other Mondays ever since, and St. Patrick never again visited the Lough, so that the enchanted dragon remains, the peasants tell you, in the lake still, and can be heard by faithful listeners moving about every Monday morning, and saying (in a strong Irish accent): "It's a long Monday, Patrick. It's a long, long Monday."

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French actresses appear to be growing extraordinarily impulsive, and one is nowadays constantly hearing stories of the violent methods they adopt in dealing with any kind of crisis in their lives. Here is Mlle. Régine Martial, who has tried to shoot herself (and, of course, failed) simply out of annoyance at the reception given to her play. Not very long ago you may remember that Mlle. Liane de Pougy, who also tried to write, nearly succeeded in poisoning herself—driven to this by fear of an eccentric individual who had threatened to assassinate her.

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But it is on some matter connected with personal rivalry or jealousy that these ladies really become violent. Who was it who pretended that was proposed in a tortuous and insinuating manner to their revenge? Whoever said it cannot have ever lived in France. There the revenge is usually direct, straightforward, blunt. Thus I remember that Mlle. Mariette Sully, a well-known

means of oddly-shaped lyres and other stringed instruments and a crooning or chaunting method of dictation.

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It is really a little depressing, however, to hear Mr. Yeats chunting his own poetry in this windy voice. As for Miss Florence Farr, she recites well, as those who heard her leading the chorus in the "Trojan Women" at the Court Theatre may remember. But in her case one did not quite see the effectiveness of the stringed instrument which was occasionally and, as it seemed, quite casually strummed.

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Perhaps there is no satisfactory compromise between singing and recitation. Yvette Guilbert does it, it is true, use a strange prolonged chant occasionally, and it is most effective in her bizarre little songs; and Madame Georgette Leblanc, although more of a singer, produces something of the same effect. But when a reciter with very remarkable gifts uses a piano or stringed accompaniment, as the late Clifford Harrison used sometimes to do, it is apt to please neither musicians nor lovers of poetry.

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Mr. Leslie Faber is one of the actors trained by Mr. E. F. Benson; but, unlike most Bensons, who seem on the whole to have an agreeable time, acting in the intervals of playing hockey or cricket, he has known the shady side of the stage world also. Thus he was once engaged by an actor-manager, in some small town, to play, to appear in an effective part "for one week only." On the first night, however, the actor-manager was unfortunately prevented from appearing, because he had to be in prison at the moment. So Mr. Faber had to play his own part, the actor-manager's part, and several others into the bargain.

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tariff reform party here, as we know that many of our people were working for him because he was a "jolly good fellow," and for other personal reasons.

One thing is pretty certain, that, if the election had been left to Mr. Verney and Mr. Salter, the latter would have been returned with a much larger majority.

TARIFF REFORMER.

Aldershot.

## HAS MAN A FREE WILL?

The will is that power of the human mind which decides, chooses, or prefers to adopt one course of action rather than another.

The operation of the will is dependent upon some external cause, influence, circumstance, or motive—the strongest, or dominating, motive ever prevailing.

If, therefore, the will is restricted by something external to itself, how can it be said to be free? The will is not free, and the notion of free will is a fallacy.

F. R. THEAKSTONE.

Danby-street, Denmark Park.

## IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 10.—Fresh flowers are opening every day, in spite of stormy weather. The crocuses are now just at their best, for the yellow, purple, and white are all out. Very pretty they look in wild masses of every colour on grassy banks; and even when the first blossoms fail, and lie prostrate on the ground the effect is still charming.

Dog-tooth violets are to-day beginning to reveal their exquisite flowers. These are most desirable bulbs to cultivate: rose, violet, purple, and white kinds are all lovely, their delicate appearance reminding one of greenhouse plants rather than inhabitants of the early-spring garden. E. F. T.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Our worst misfortunes never happen, and most miseries lie in anticipation.—Balzac.

# NEWS VIEWS

TRAIN BLOWN OVER NEAR BARCELONA.



Remarkable photograph of a train of heavy goods trucks blown over like cardboard boxes by a sudden whirlwind near Barcelona, Spain.

OPENING A SUNDAY SCHOOL RIFLE CLUB.



In connection with the Wesleyan Sunday School at Beckenham, Kent, a rifle club has been formed and a sergeant of Volunteers engaged as instructor. In the photograph Miss Neill is firing the opening shot.

PORSCMOUTH ROAD POLICE TRAP.



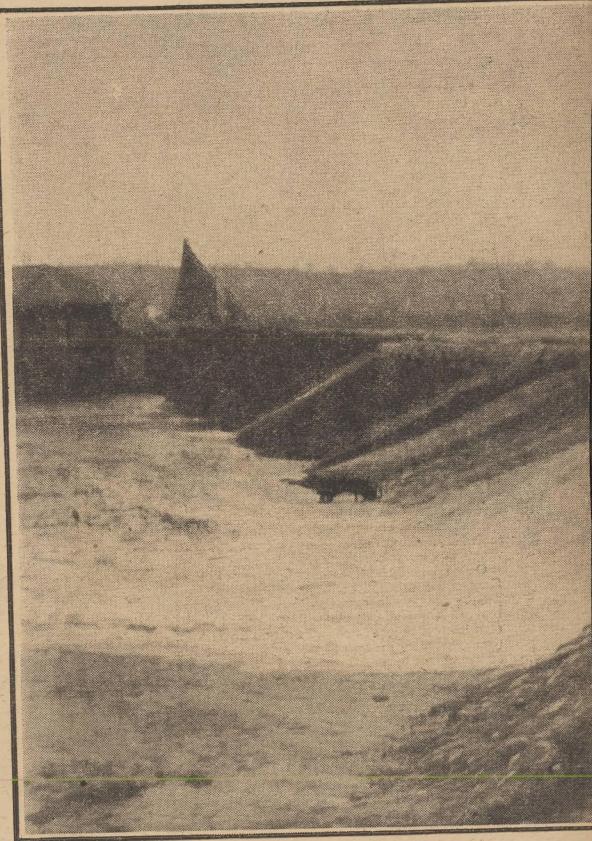
Colonel W. J. Bosworth, chairman of the Automobile Associated Scouts, photographed this policeman looking over a hedge twenty-three miles out on the road to Portsmouth. It was an ingenious police trap.

INSPECTOR OF CHILDREN.



Miss M. M. Pole has been appointed by the City Corporation to visit mothers in the slums to instruct them on the rearing of infants.

# RIVER MEDWAY ROCHESTER CRI

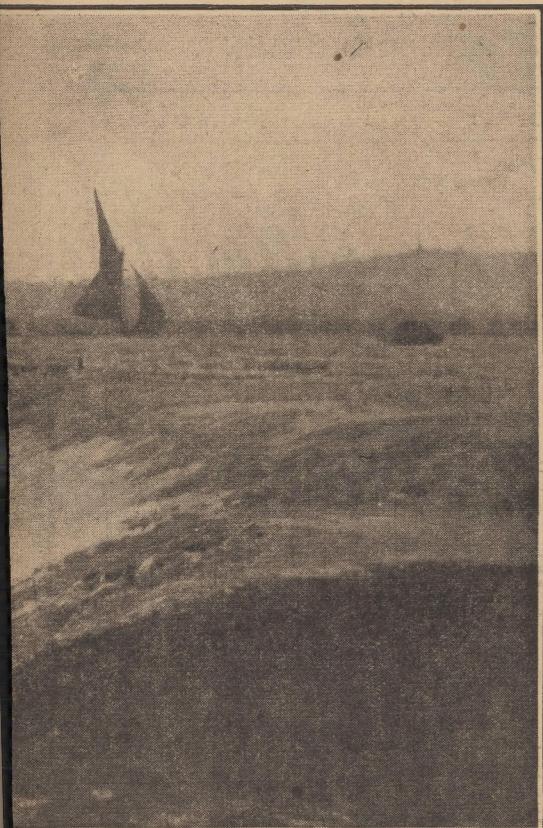


Recent high tides were the cause of much damage on the River Medway, where large areas of the surrounding country were flooded. In the photograph the

DUCHESS OF ALBANY OPENS IRISH



The Duchess of Albany arriving at Lansdowne House to open the St. Patrick's Day

OVERFLOWS INTO  
KET GROUND.

tide is seen overflowing the bank and flooding the Rochester cricket ground.

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## TO-DAY'S WEDDING.



Miss Theodora Willoughby, married to-day at Christ Church, Lancaster-gate, to—



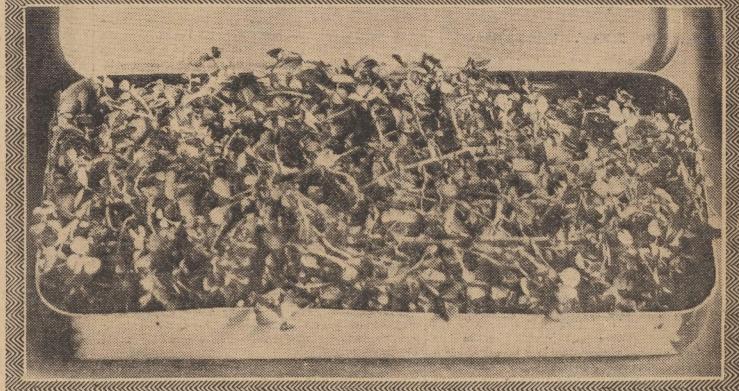
Mr. L. H. K. Bushe-Fox, Fellow and Tutor of St. John's, Cambridge.

of the Royal Irish Indus-

trial Society.

## PHOTOGRAPAS

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S GIFT TO THE IRISH GUARDS.



To-day on parade every officer and man of the Irish Guards will receive a piece of shamrock from Queen Alexandra. As in former years, the shamrock has been supplied to the Queen by the Countess of Limerick's Shamrock League.



Box of shamrock supplied by Lady Limerick to the Queen for the Irish Guards.

## FAMOUS CHESS PLAYER.



Mr. H. N. Pillsbury, the American chess player, born 1872, who won the world's championship at Hastings in 1895, is lying in a hospital at Philadelphia with paralysis. He developed a genius for chess at the age of sixteen.—(Russell and Sons.)

## No. 33.—AMATEUR COMPETITION.



Amateur photographers are invited to send interesting news photographs to the "Daily Mirror." For each one used 10s. 6d. will be paid, and every week a £2 2s. prize will be awarded to the sender of the picture adjudged by the Editor to be the best. No. 33, sent by Mr. W. H. Reeves, 5, Gladstone-road, Whitstable, shows the smack Pearl driven ashore and wrecked this week at Whitstable.

# By Right of Love.

By ALICE and CLAUDE ASKEW.

## CHARACTERS IN THE STORY.

PAUL CHESTER, a clever, handsome young man, with great political ambitions.

LADY SUSAN CHESTER, his wife.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF BERKSHIRE, the coming Prime Minister and his beautiful wife.

RUPERT TEMPLE, the Duke's private secretary.

LORD ROBERT AYLMER, cousin to Lady Susan Chester, whom he loves.

## CHAPTER XXIV. (continued).

"Friends—we are that now," Chester smiled a little as he spoke. "But you cannot be lonely, with your wealth of friends. All the gain is on the side not on yours."

"Is it?" She answered him with a dazzling look. "I doubt the statement. I have no friend in my life who means as much to me as you do. You understand, don't you, that you touch a side in my nature which has never been touched before, I thought it impossible for any woman to speak as openly to a man as I am now speaking to you. But you are different from the rest of your sex. You won't misunderstand me or think I am trying to start a horrid flirtation. I care too much for you for that."

She was speaking in short, jerky sentences, wondering how far she could go in her confession, also how far she really wanted to go yet.

He listened—amazed—bewildered. So she cared, Henrietta cared. This brilliant and wonderful creature loved him. There was intoxication in the thought; but Chester was conscious of other emotions crowding in on him as well—and he was aware that he must remember what he owed to the woman who bore his name. He flushed as he thought of Susan.

"We will work together for our country—you shall be a leader of men—and I will be the friend you will turn to in all great moments of success, or of trouble. Let me inspire you to big deeds, Paul, and you, for your part, give me something to live for—some tremendous interest." She poured the words out eloquently. "We've met too late, or it might be too late for some people," she went on, "but don't let us be beaten by Fate. So long as we care for each other honourably it is all right, isn't it? And we needn't be afraid of caring." She held out her cold, quivering hand. "You do care, too," she whispered.

"Care?" he repeated. "Oh, Henrietta, you mean everything to me." He checked himself hurriedly. "Forgive me, I should not have said that," he murmured. "Of course, I put my wife first—just as you put the Duke." He winced a little as he spoke—aware how priggish the words sounded, and yet he felt in the depths of his honest soul they were words which must be spoken, even if they rang false and were false.

"Paul"—she made her voice very low and soft—"don't think I want you to be disloyal to your wife, I don't. I require, on the contrary, the affection that you and I bear each other to be a wholly spiritual one. It's the custom to talk at platonic friendships," she continued, "but that's only because people are so grossly material. Let us prove to our world—the world of flesh and blood—that it's quite possible for a man and woman to love each other loyally and purely, and in an absolutely spiritual way."

She smiled, her strange, complex smile, and her hot amber eyes belied her cool, grave words. But Chester believed all she said, and never suspected for one second that Henrietta was merely luring him gently on, aware that he was a man with rigid views on the subject of morality, and that he would sacrifice her and himself at the present moment rather than act against his conscience. No, let her lead him gently by the hand first of all. Let their relations be as that between brother and sister sons, till a burning kiss should betray Chester to her—a kiss which would fling him, scorch him, and make him obedient to her will for ever, sworn slave of passion and the woman.

"My friend—my queen." He pressed his lips to her cool, soft hands. "Most blessed comradeship of any—ours," he added, sighing with ineffable content. "I'll climb," he muttered, "my God, I'll climb high to deserve your love and your trust."

She drew her hands gently from his lips, for let him learn—and quickly, too—what it meant to thirst for the touch of her fragrant flesh. Besides, the saint's part hers, the rôle of the wife faithful to her spouse—faithful at the cost of an aching heart, or, better still, the pose of a new Beatrice—bride of the soul—to a new Dante.

"I must go. We have talked long enough, but we understand each other—now!"

She glided with slow, backward movement to the door, her eyes fixed on his pale, set face.

"Now, and for ever." He said the words with firm and masterful intonation. "I have got all I wanted," he continued, as she was about to open the door and pass out. "Henrietta—everything is perfect."

She bowed her flaming head as though in meek acquiescence, then slipped into the passage, but out of Chester's gaze the whole expression of her face changed.

She drew a deep, almost ravenous breath, and for a second her eyes blazed with fierce and primitive passion. She looked as pagan women must have looked. The women who thought it no shame to kiss the world aside for a man they loved, and to

breathe kinsfolk, land, and home for his advantage. Splendid, crafty traitors, magnificent in their devotion to the one, hateful if contemplated by a more modern standard of morals. Wild, lawless souls—bred of gusty passion, daughters and mothers of passion themselves. Women who set their teeth in the red apple and drank the juice thirstily. Strange, subtle beings, of whom this age knows little—half-tiger, half-snake.

"He loves me, but he's afraid to acknowledge how much, even to himself." She muttered the words in low tones, and her voice had a certain hiss in it. All at once she smiled. "I have only got to wait!"

Still smiling, she swept down the long passage, amazingly content with herself and her life.

## CHAPTER XXV.

A week after the scene which had taken place between Paul Chester and Henrietta the Duke of Berkshire sat nodding in a chair in his study, when the swift rustling of tempestuous petticoats made him open his half-closed eyes.

He knew at once that it must be his wife who had entered the study, for no one used the room except himself. The large apartment was consecrated and set apart as it were to his greatness, his isolated splendour.

He had rather expected to see Henrietta, for she had made a request to him a few days ago, a request to which he had returned no definite answer, and he wondered when she would moot the matter again.

It was growing dark outside, and a mixture of rain and sleet was falling, but a warm fire glowing on the hearth lit up the study and flickered over Henrietta's face and figure as she crossed over to the mantelpiece, and commenced warming first one slender foot and then the other on the fender.

She looked pale and wore a claret velvet dress that fitted her figure like a sheath. Suspended from a thin platinum chain round her throat hung a beautiful pendant, the glowing face of a cherub shining from the heart of a seashell, the whole fringed by long misshapen pearls.

"Mr. Chester left an hour ago," she began slowly. "I don't think he was really strong enough to travel, but he seemed to want to get home—misses his wife, I suppose."

She yawned indolently, but her eyes flickered too brightly for the yawn to be anything but assumed; also it was not natural for Henrietta to be so pale, so listless in expression.

"Chester gone!" The Duke leaned back in his armchair, his big, heavy form only dimly discernible in the shadow of the dark corner where he sat. "Ah, Rupert did say something or other about it this morning," he added, then yawned in his turn.

"Are you sleepy?" asked Henrietta sharply. All her nerves were on edge. Chester's departure had upset her cruelly. She had not guessed how amazingly she cared for Paul till the moment had come for her to say good-bye to him for ever. She had thought that she was made of sterner, stronger stuff, not the sort of pulsing, sentimental creature who can hardly bear to take farewell of the man she cares about who cannot content herself with the knowledge that the words will bring them together again and again—wait her hour.

She was also fatigued and annoyed because of the desire she still had to clash. Chester's hand and to listen to his voice, and she hated the feeling of awful blankness which seemed to have come over Henslowthorpe—the intolerable sense of loss. And all this just because a man had taken his departure from her of whom no one thought anything, except herself—who meant nothing to his world as yet, or to his day. Yet if Paul Chester had been King of the whole universe, Henrietta could not have felt more depressed over his departure.

She was passing through a crisis, and she knew it. She was realising painfully that Chester, whom she had intended to enslave and subdue, had somehow succeeded in dominating her, and that for the first time in her life she was foolishly in love—madly in love.

She had never wished matters to go so far—on her side at least. She had intended to bring Paul Chester to her feet—to make a slave of him, as she had done of so many men before, and then to give her the mere tips of her fingers to kiss, and to mock, in her cold and curious way, his poor, warm human love.

To have the man on his knees, and herself smiling down at him from the clouds—cold, mysterious, virtuous as Diana—that had hitherto been Henrietta's pose in all her love affairs. No living woman had inspired men with greater passion than she had—yet no woman had been more chaste, and, perhaps, in her way, more cruel.

But now of a sudden everything had changed. Indeed, ever since the day of the motor-car accident, Henrietta had realised with fatal certainty that she, who had played delicately with passion hitherto, was caught in the toils at last.

She was no longer a cold, mysterious enchantress, weaving her spells, cheating her lovers. She was a warm and palpitating woman, for she loved Chester—loved him as perhaps modern women have forgotten how to love—with all her body, with all her soul—and she felt strangely humiliated by the discovery, even whilst it fired her with a certain curious pride in her newly-awakened womanhood.

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## THE MONEY MARKET.

Prices Harden as the Political Situation Is Thought To Improve.

## FAMINE IN COPPER.

CAPITAL COURT, Friday Evening.—Stock markets were in a more satisfactory mood this afternoon, and certainly it was about time. The gloom of the last few days was continued this morning. But soon after midday there were signs that the Continental bourses were more disposed to buy than sell. And political news seemed to brighten. Later in the day the money news was better also. And with all these factors working in favour of markets, the close was a very considerable improvement on the market situation of the last day or two.

Consols, which had been offered in the morning at 90 5/16, finished quite firm at 90 2/3, when it was said that the Government had shown signs of disbursing some of the large balances at present held on its behalf. People talk cheerily about records-breaking figures being looked for in connection with the Bank Return—at least records for a considerable number of years past.

## PROSPECTS OF AMERICAN STRIKE.

The amount of business anywhere on the Stock Exchange is very small. It takes very little to move prices either way. Consequently, though Home Railways were heavy in the morning, there were some quite sharp jumps in the afternoon, and the close was strong. The Bill for the amalgamation of the Great Central with the Lancashire, Derbyshire, and East Coast Railways has been withdrawn.

To look at the American market one would not really imagine that the United States is face to face with a great industrial crisis. The miners of the Pennsylvania fields have met to decide the question whether they shall strike or not at the end of the present month. If they do, it means half a million men out of work.

## GOOD ARGENTINE MAIZE CROP.

Encouraging advices from Argentina about the size of the maize crop and the high prices at which agricultural land is selling were of much assistance in the way of business in the Argentine land division, and caused also a certain amount of interest in some of the Argentine Railway securities. Catalinas Warehouse shares were strong on reports of a "deal."

Copper is almost at a famine point as regards stocks of the metal in England and France. A fortnight ago, when these stocks were down to the record low level of 5,096 tons, people pulled long faces. Now these stocks are down to 4,787 tons. If manufacturers and users of copper began to buy in any numbers, it would be a striking development that would be seen on the metal markets. The amount of the metal in sight shows an increase,

## "BEARS" BUYING BACK KAFFIRS.

The improvement in Kaffirs, which took place in the latter part of the day, was attributed to better news being forthcoming in regard to the Rand Constitution, which presumably means that there is some possibility of the labour question not causing so much concern. At any rate, the "bears" were buying back. Other mining sections were somewhat depressed.

There is quite a commotion in the Russian oil group. The agitation against the board of the Baku Petroleum Company gathers force from two directors having resigned, though it is understood that this has nothing to do with the agitation. There is also a very pretty fight going on in connection with the Anglo-Russian Petroleum Company, one group endeavouring to remove Mr. Herbert Allen from the board, and he issuing a strongly-worded circular against them.

## GUINEAS FOR SNAPSHOTS.

Fishing Smack Driven Ashore During Monday's Gale.

The photograph reproduced to-day is sent by Mr. W. H. Reeves, 5, Gladstone-road, Whitstable. It shows the fishing smack Pearl being driven ashore during the gale of Monday last, and is certainly one of the best photographs yet sent to us. Mr. Reeves will receive half a guinea for the right of reproduction, and he becomes eligible for the weekly prize of two guineas awarded for the best photograph.

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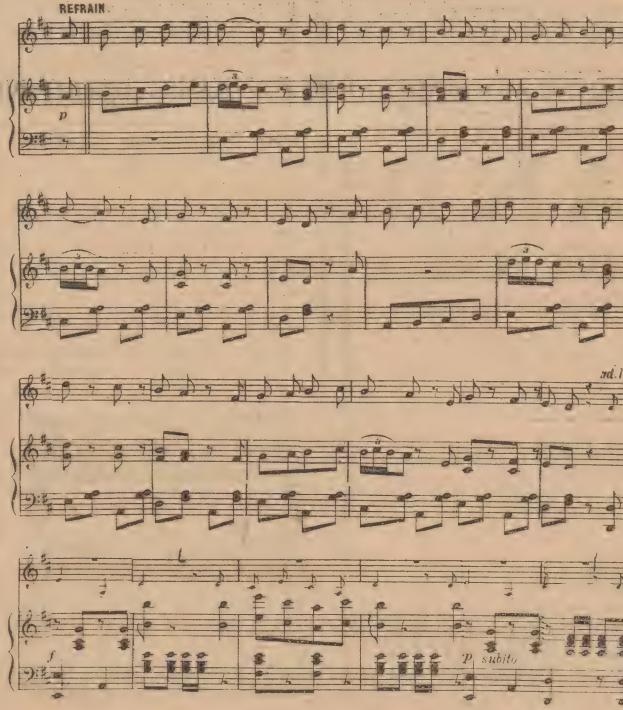
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## MELODY WHICH HAS CAPTURED EUROPE.



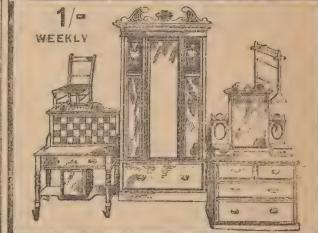
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I've picked up a dance that's  
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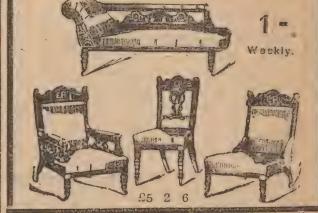
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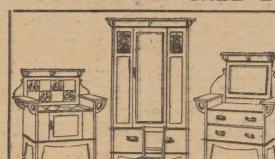
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